

REQUESTED BY:

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LAW DEPARTMENT

DRAFT NO. 3531

TITLE

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF RE-NAMING THE SECTION OF THE CITY OF WARREN "GREENWAY BIKE TRAIL" to "GARRETT WONDERS BIKE TRAIL" IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF GARRETT WONDERS AT A POINT STARTING AT BURTON STREET, SE AND ENDING AT NORTH RIVER ROAD IN THE CITY OF WARREN, OHIO.

ORDINANCE NO. 12603/15

WHEREAS, the City of Warren's "Greenway Bike Trail" was constructed with the invaluable assistance of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, for public recreation for the residents of the City of Warren and surrounding areas; and

WHEREAS, Garrett Wonders was born on October 24, 1978 in the City of Warren. He was an avid sportsman throughout his years at Warren G. Harding High School. In the year 2000, he graduated from The Ohio State University with a degree in engineering/physics and then completed his master's degree in nuclear engineering. Garrett competed in marathons, triathlons and raced on the Ohio State Cycling Team; and

WHEREAS, On March 10, 2004, Garrett was training for the Olympic trials, wherein, he died of injuries incurred while being struck by a pickup truck while cycling; and

WHEREAS, to know Garrett was to know someone who lived fully, loved passionately and laughed out loud. His memory will live on through the annual "Garrett Wonders Birthday Bike Ride". A ride that provides scholarships to the Ohio State University Cycling Team along with the Warren G. Harding Band, and promote bicycle safety for motorists and cyclists; and

WHEREAS, this Council desires to give recognition to the accomplishments of Garrett Wonders by re-naming the City of Warren "Greenway Bike Trail" to "Garrett Wonders Bike Trail" at a point starting at Burton Street, S.E. and ending at North River Road; NOW THEREFORE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Warren, State of Ohio:

Section 1: That the City of Warren "Greenway Bike Trail" be re-named to "Garrett Wonders Bike Trail" at a point starting at Burton Street, S.E. and ending at North River Road in honor of Garrett's exceptional talents and accomplishments as an elite athlete, and as an encouraging individual of a human being.

Section 2: That appropriate signs and reference to "Garret Wonders" shall be made and displayed at the earliest possible time.

Section 3: That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed in Council this 9TH day of September 2015.

SIGNED:

James C. ...
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST:

Brenda Smith
CLERK

FILED WITH THE MAYOR:

DATE APPROVED:

MAYOR, CITY OF WARREN, OHIO

W.D.B.